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- 25X1 1. Leipziger Kugellagerfabrik.- The intended removal of this factory to the Soviet Union was rumored some months ago. These rumors have not been borne out, but a few of the best machines and their skilled operators have been grouped so that they can be transported quickly in case of an emergency situation in East Germany. None have actually been transferred up to the present time.
- 25X1 2. Waggonfabrik Dessau.- The shortages of material which existed at this plant last spring were overcome shortly afterward, and production has been proceeding normally. Drop-frame cars of 120 tons' load capacity are being manufactured at the present time. They have flanged wheels and are known as "crane cars." Freight cars are also built whose interior arrangements are such that they can easily be transformed into troop carriers.
3. SAG Bleichert, Leipzig.- This plant builds pontoons equipped with cranes for the Soviet Union. Six have been or are being built this year, and six or eight are on the program for production in 1953, as a "friendship offering."
- 25X1 4. Hallesche Maschinenfabrik.- This plant has turned out a three-stage compressor (1100 atm.) and 12 small two-stage compressors, some of which were delivered to Leuna and two to the Piesteritz nitrogen works. The rotary pumps manufactured are of 400 liters per minute capacity. They are shipped to Wismar. Compressor parts have been manufactured for the Halle/Saale Works and forwarded to the Soviet Union. They are said to be for torpedo use.
5. Zeitz Dry Battery Factory.- Work continues on the order for 25,000 dry batteries for portable radios. The order must be filled by Christmas 1952. The batteries are for Volkspolizei units and Soviet troops in Saxony-Anhalt.
6. IFA Fahrzeugbau Leipzig-Plagwitz.- The tank trucks manufactured here are delivered to the Soviet Union. The IFA only manufactures the tanks and mounts them on truck chassis.

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